

Lismore Netball

Memo

To: Club Secretaries

From: Secretary - Dianne Donovan

Date: 4th March 2010

Re: Safety issues

Please ensure that all your club coaches are informed about the following: **The association insurance officer cannot sign off on injury claims** arising from inappropriate use of stands or benches or injuries sustained during training if players are put at risk due to unsuitable drills/warm-up activities i.e. some soccer drills are not specific to netball (ball on ground and players jumping to tap the ball with each foot alternatively) drills like this can be dangerous.

Do not permit your club members to use the benches or stands as training aids, they are NOT toys, players must not stand or run along benches/stand while passing balls to other players, or for any other training use BENCHES and STANDS are not training aids.

ALL UMPIRES AND PLAYERS MUST WEAR SUITABLE NETBALL SHOES skate/street shoes, sandals, thongs or school shoes are not permitted and will result in loss of insurance if players/umpires are injured while playing or umpiring in these shoes, members on canteen duty for your club must also have covered footwear to comply with insurance.

Help us keep the courts safe for all members if you see water bottles, drink cans or other rubbish that can be blown onto to courts, please put them in the garbage bins provided for the safety of all our players, keeping the courts clear of possible trip hazards is everyone responsibility.

Again could you inform your members that the gazetted drop off and pickup area is the grassed area off Diadem Street, as our courts face a four lane highway please ensure the safety of our members by using the gazetted parking area.

We all must take the time to be proactive in fostering safer training and playing environments for all our members.